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The United States Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to Section 117(a) of CERCLA announces a proposed plan, feasibility study, public meeting, and public comment period for the Galena Subsite of the Cherokee County Superfund Site, Cherokee County, Kansas.

This notice solicits comments on the Proposed Plan and Operable Unit Feasibility Study (OUFS) for the remediation of the ground water and surface water heavy metal contamination. The Proposed Plan and OUFS will be presented in a Public Meeting to be held on Wednesday, February 24, 1988, at 7:00 P.M. CST at the Galena Senior Citizens Center located at 720 Wall, Galena, Kansas.

A complete description of the remedial alternatives considered for the Galena ground water and surface water remediation is presented in a draft report entitled, Groundwater and Surface Water Operable Unit Feasibility Study. The Proposed Plan and administrative record regarding this action are available for public review at the Galena City Library in Galena, Kansas and at the EPA Library in Kansas City, Kansas. The OUFS report will be available at those locations after March 6, 1988. Public comments are being sought on the alternatives presented in the OUFS report and on the Proposed Plan before a remedial action plan is adopted.

At the public meeting, the EPA will explain the findings and the preferred alternative for ground water and surface water remediation. The EPA evaluated the following five remedial alternatives: (1) Remove and treat surface mine wastes, backfill mine shafts and voids, recontour land surface and remediate deep wells; (2) Remove and treat surface mine wastes, partially backfill mine shafts and voids, divert surface streams, recontour land surface and remediate deep wells; (3) Remove and contain surface mine wastes, divert surface streams, recontour land surface and remediate deep wells; (4) Pump and treat groundwater, treat surface water through wetlands, divert surface streams, recontour land surface and remediate deep wells; and (5) No action.

The EPA is proposing to implement a modified alternative. The Proposed Plan is to remove and treat the surface mine wastes, divert surface streams, recontour the land surface, erosion controls and remediate deep aquifer wells. This alternative will be effective at reducing the concentrations of metals in the surface streams and will have limited effect at improving the ground water quality.

The public may comment at the public meeting and/or may submit written comments between March 7 and April 6, 1988, to Alice Fuerst, EPA, Region VII, 726 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas 66101. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the EPA Regional Office of Public Affairs in Kansas City, Kansas at 913/236-2803 (toll free in Kansas 1-800-221-7749 or in Missouri 1-800-223-0425) or writing to Steve Wurtz, Office of Public Affairs, EPA, 726 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas 66101.

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